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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/071,933	02/07/2002	Kayoko Fukasawa	3815/149	9846

TITLE OF INVENTION: SWITCHING STATION, SUBSCRIBER LOCATION INFORMATION REGISTRATION METHOD, SUBSCRIBER SERVICE INFORMATION ACQUISITION METHOD, SUBSCRIBER SERVICE INFORMATION REGISTRATION METHOD, AND SUBSCRIBER SERVICE INFORMATION TRANSMISSION METHOD

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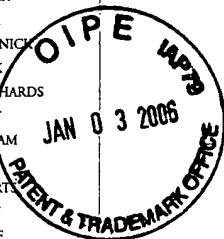
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In response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated October 6, 2005, please find enclosed herewith the following items for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above identified patent application:

- ☒ Issue Fee Transmittal (PTOL-85B) submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.311.
- ☐ A Supplemental Declaration executed by the inventor(s) is submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.67.
- ☒ A Certificate of Deposit Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8 is enclosed.
- ☐ Pursuant to the request for submission of formal drawings, enclosed are the following:
 - ☐ A Letter to the Official Draftsperson;
 - ☐ A set of _____ () sheets of formal drawings to replace the corresponding drawings originally filed with the subject application.
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Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

On page 2 of the Examiner's Notice of Allowability, the Examiner has indicated that no prior art was found that "Regarding independent claims 21 and 41, the claims have been amended to overcome the prior art (Nakamura et al. US 6,463,284). The prior arts fail to disclose when the switching station receives the location registration signal from the mobile station and the switching station registers in the second management unit the subscriber

location information about the mobile station registered in the first management unit for use with the switching station, as argued by Applicants on page 16-17.”

Applicants respectfully submit that the claimed invention as set forth in each of the independent claims and the dependent claims must be read as a whole, and not as a single feature or subcombination of features which represent less than the entirety of the claimed invention as a whole. While a particular feature or subcombination of features referred to by the Examiner in the Statement of Reasons for Allowance may represent a basis for distinguishing the claimed invention over the prior art, Applicants further submit that this may not necessarily be the *sole* ground for distinguishing the claimed invention over the prior art of record. Accordingly, the Examiner’s statement should, in Applicants’ view, not be read as constituting or meaning that the invention can or should be reduced to a single “feature” of the invention or to a subcombination of features that is less than the entire invention claimed as a whole, nor that the single feature referenced by the Examiner or subcombination of features referenced by the Examiner in the Statement of Reasons for Allowance is the only or sole grounds for distinguishing the invention over the prior art of record.

Please address all future correspondence in connection with the above-identified patent application to the attention of the undersigned.

Dated this 3rd day of January 2006.

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